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IN THE CLAIMS

The complete listing of the claims is as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A process for the preparation of low-odor flexible

polyurethane foams comprising reacting organic and/or modified organic polyisocyanates (a)

with a polyetherol mixture (b) and, optionally, further compounds (c) having hydrogen atoms

reactive toward isocyanates, in the presence of water and/or other blowing agents (d),

catalysts (e), flameproofing agents (f) and, optionally, further assistants and additives (g),

wherein the polyetherol mixture (b) comprises

b1) at least one difunctional to octafunctional polyetherol based on ethylene oxide

and, optionally, based on propylene oxide and/or butylene oxide, the polyetherol (b1) having

an ethylene oxide content of at least 30% by weight, based on the total amount of alkylene

oxide used in the polyetherol (b1), an OH number of from 20 to 200 mg KOH/g, and used in

an amount of at least 50% by weight, based on the total weight of the polyetherol mixture

(b), and

b2) at least one polyetherol based on propylene oxide and/or butylene oxide and

having an OH number greater than 20 mg KOH/g, wherein the polyetherol (b2) is optionally

based on ethylene oxide, the ethylene oxide content being less than 30% by weight, based on

the total amount of alkylene oxide used in the polyetherol (b2), and used in an amount of less

than 30% by weight, based on the total weight of the polyetherol mixture (b), and

wherein foaming is effected in an index range of less than 150, and the catalyst

comprises at least one catalyst supporting the polyisocyanurate reaction.

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- 2. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the ethylene oxide content of the polyetherol (b1) is more than 60% by weight, based on the total amount of alkylene oxide used in the polyetherol (b1).
- 3. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyetherol (b1) has more than 30% of primary OH groups.
 - 4-5. Cancelled.
- 6. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein water is used as blowing agent (d) in amounts of from 1 to 10% by weight, based on the total weight of the components (b) to (g).
- 7. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the catalyst (e) used is an alkali metal salt and/or alkaline earth metal salt.
- 8. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the catalyst (e) used is potassium acetate.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flameproofing agents (f) are halogen-free.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the flameproofing agents (f) used are melamine and, optionally, expanded graphite.
- 11. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the organic and/or modified organic polyisocyanates (a) comprise tolylene diisocyanate, mixtures of diphenylmethane diisocyanate isomers, mixtures of diphenylmethane diisocyanate and

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polyphenylpolymethylene polyisocyanate or tolylene diisocyanate with diphenylmethane

diisocyanate and/or polyphenylpolymethylene polyisocyanate.

12. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the organic

and/or modified organic polyisocyanates (a) comprise NCO-containing prepolymers formed

from the reaction of the isocyanates (a) with the polyetherol mixture (b) and, optionally,

components (c) and/or (d).

13. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the foaming

is effected in an index range of from 50 to 150.

14. (Currently Amended) A low-odor flexible polyurethane foam, which is

prepared according to the process as claimed in any of the preceding claims 1 to 13.

15. Canceled

16. (Previously Presented) A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein water is used

as blowing agent (d) in amounts of from 1 to 5 % by weight, based on the total weight of the

components (b) to (g).

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